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In re: Application of: Patrick Henry GORMAN

Examiner: Sotelo, Jesus D.

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For: FLOATING STRUCTURES


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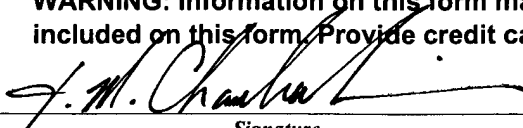
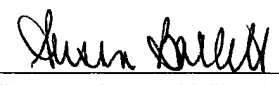
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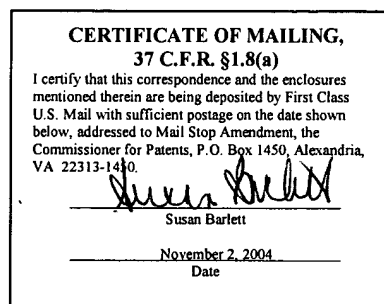
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Sir:

This reply is responsive to the official action mailed August 2, 2004. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claims 1 - 15 have been amended and new claims 16-20 have been added

- **Amendments** to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper;
- **Amendments** to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper;
- **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper;

No new matter is presented. Reconsideration and allowance are requested.